AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) ~~An elastomeric~~ A coupling ~~for a rotatable shaft~~ comprising:

a driving yoke;

a driven yoke;

~~an elastomeric~~ a body containing a ~~having~~ first plurality of bushings and a second plurality ~~sets~~ of bushings ~~within said elastomeric body, each of said bushings having a threaded opening~~;

a first plurality of fasteners securing said driving yoke to said first plurality ~~set~~ of bushings and a second plurality of fasteners securing said driven yoke to said second plurality ~~set~~ of bushings; and

a plurality of tensile members within said elastomeric body, said tensile members connecting said first plurality ~~set~~ of bushings to said second plurality ~~set~~ of bushings.

2. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 where said tensile members are comprised of metal fibers.

3. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 where said tensile members are comprised of organic fibers.

4. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 where said first plurality ~~set~~ of bushings has three bushings and said second plurality ~~set~~ of bushings has three bushings, said bushings from each set being spaced equally about said ~~elastomeric~~ body, with the bushings from the first plurality ~~set~~ alternating circumferentially with bushings from the second plurality ~~set~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 4 where said driving yoke and said driven yoke each include a yoke with three equally spaced arms.

6. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 4 wherein said ~~elastomeric~~ body has sufficient flexibility to enable rotation of said ~~elastomeric~~ body about a central axis with said bushings from said first set of bushings rotating with the elastomeric body in one plane and said bushings in said second set of bushings rotating with the elastomeric body in a different plane.

7. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein said first and second pluralities ~~sets~~ of bushings contain grooves ~~in~~ to secure said tensile members while allowing said tensile members to shift within said grooves.

8. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein said ~~elastomeric~~ body has a hollowed central portion.

9. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein each of said tensile members is wrapped around one of said bushings from said first plurality ~~set~~ of bushings and also wrapped around one of said bushings from said second plurality ~~set~~ of bushings.

10. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein each of said bushings includes a substantially cylindrical ~~circular~~ elastomeric body having bushing mounting portions alternating with connecting web portions, with said connecting web portions being more flexible than said bushing mounting portions.

11. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein each of said bushings includes a substantially cylindrical ~~circular~~ elastomeric body having bushing mounting portions alternating with connecting web portions, with said connecting web portions being thinner than said bushing mounting portions.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~elastomeric~~ coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein each of said bushings includes a substantially cylindrical ~~circular~~ elastomeric body having bushing mounting portions alternating with connecting web portions, with said connecting web portions having a radially inward curved shape.

13 - 20. (Cancelled).

21. (New) The coupling defined in Claim 1 wherein each of said bushings has an opening formed therein that is oriented generally radially relative to an axis of rotation defined by said body, and wherein said fasteners cooperate with said openings to secure said driving yoke and said driven yoke to said bushings.

22. (New). A coupling comprising:

a first yoke including a plurality of first yoke arms;

a second yoke including a plurality of second yoke arms; and

a body containing a first plurality of bushings connected to said plurality of first yoke arms, a second plurality of bushings connected to said plurality of second yoke arms, and a plurality of tensile members connecting said first plurality of bushings with said second plurality of bushings.